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DEFENSE AGAINST AIRSHIPS.

A few days ago, in a paragraph relative to the London excitement over rumors of airships scouting upon the coast, this paper made a remark that whenever a hostile airship fleet appeared overhead there would be guns pointing to the sky to puncture the aerial vessels. This was only an allusion to a commonly known fact that already such a mode of defense had been planned, but it was not intended to imply that there were no other defenses to aeronautical invasion. However, a local critic took it that way and gave the information, as gravely as any authority on the subject would have done, that the chief defense to be relied upon against airships was that of opposing airships. Without authorities at hand to debate the question, nor any particular occasion for debating it, the matter was carried no further by this paper. Now an article by Alfred R. Wallace, in the London Daily News, comes reprinted in a Coast exchange, which deals interestingly with the subject. Presumably the author has some standing as an authority to have access to the medium stated. He says that if it is unwise to build too many ships of the new type till they have been tried in war, "it will surely be absolute idiocy to do so with airships, still in their very infancy, in which improvements are taking place almost day by day, and of which at least fifty can be constructed in the same time and cost as much as a single Dreadnought. We have only to wait and watch for a few years to save money; and if we must do so, then build a better air fleet than any of our opponents."

Mr. Wallace says, in the second place, that it seems "probable, indeed almost certain, that the superiority will be so great on the defensive side as to make it quite unnecessary to possess any airships except for scouting purposes. All that has been said about darkness and fogs and clouds is wholly in favor of the land or marine forces." He goes on to say "that the small carrying power of airships will preclude all idea of dropping bombs at random, not one in a hundred of which would damage the forts or armies or cities of the invaded country. Such ships must travel low down, and must wait for daylight or clear weather, and must travel rather slowly, before they can drop a single bomb with any certainty of doing damage. But, under these conditions, they will be seen and be within rifle range, not only vertically but at moderate angles of elevation all round, and be exposed not only to the cross fire of every company of riflemen in the district as the airship approaches and passes over them, but of every householder or laborer who may possess a rifle." Even a night invasion would be revealed by the street lights of a city, while after the first attempt at bomb dropping had been made searchlights from every fort or warship would be brought upon the ship and a few hundreds of rifle shots would almost certainly bring it to the ground. Mr. Wallace concludes as follows:

To think that the best means of destroying airships by night or in a dense fog would be by sending other airships to look for them, and then fight them with the certainty that, if they met, both vessels would be brought to the ground and all their occupants killed, is a good example of the reckless and foolish suppositions by means of which the unthinking public are influenced in a time of panic."

THE INVITED CONVENTION.

Various interests in San Francisco are forming a joint committee with the object of bringing large conventions to that city, and the Chronicle informs them that without suitable places for convention meetings all else is vain. It therefore advises that the first and most important work of the convention committee is to get an auditorium. Among the recently acquired ambitions of Honolulu is that of getting some large national conventions, the most notable and indeed promising instance being the effort to get the 1910 meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. Should the meeting be fixed for this city, there will have to be an immense amount of planning and work, with no little expense, beforehand to adapt the available assembly rooms here for accommodating the many sections of the Association. Something better than camp stools and folding chairs for seating at least the members and accompanying friends must be provided where lacking, which is the case in all but perhaps four or five of the good-sized meeting places of the city exclusive of such churches as may not be unavailable. Perhaps the largest problem will be to find a place big enough to accommodate the general sessions, of which there will be at least two—the opening and the closing ones of the Association. Probably but few people here have any idea of the magnitude of the contract to entertain the Association, but timely effort and co-operation and liberal expenditure should be fairly equal to the event. Measurable success will mean other great national assemblies in Honolulu, while any notable deficiencies in handling the affair will compel a veiling of the city's ambition to be a Mecca for conventions.

PICTURE SHOWS VS. SALOONS.

Hilo has, within the past few months, developed an unusual demand for amusements. It was created by the exhibition of moving pictures, a cheap, innocent and instructive form of entertainment. Since its inception, we are glad to be informed, there has been a decided decrease in drinking among the Hawaiians. Instead of passing their evenings at saloons, they go to see the moving pictures at small cost, and then go home.

—Hawaii Herald.

Probably a similar result from moving picture shows to that mentioned above would be discovered everywhere on investigation. It seems to be the case in Honolulu notwithstanding that saloons and moving picture theaters are grouped in location much like the squares on a checker board. The fact proves that facilities for recreation and relaxation are among the best means of keeping men from becoming

frequenters of saloons. Even those who from habit drop into a saloon before or after the show are not so likely to linger there as they would be if they found difficulty in finding rational enjoyment elsewhere during the "shank of the evening." Many habitual indulgers will also, through counter attractions, first occasionally and next regularly forget that they "would like a nip."

A Hilo news item reads:

Rev. C. W. Hill, preaching at Haili church last Sunday, impressed upon the congregation that the object of coming to church was to pray and worship God, and not to study the hats, bonnets and clothes of one another. There ought to be sympathy for the good people of Hilo relative to the weakness implied in the parson's admonition. Excepting when umbrellas and raincoats are laid aside somewhere indoors—e. g., a church—opportunities to the people of that town for studying the fashions in one another's raiment are exceedingly rare.

THE BAND QUESTION BREWERY TO PAY ONE PER CENT

A sensible and impartial view of the band question from Paul de Longpre, who may become soon citizen of Honolulu.

EDITOR STAR:—Since over one month that I have been here enjoying life and good health, I hear on every side from rich and poor alike that it is greatly deplored that the famous Royal Hawaiian Band should have been reduced to such a small size. All know that music is the greatest proof of culture, and any one who reads newspapers, will find out that in all great civilized centers, there is spent now, for music, two or three times more money than was spent ten or fifteen years ago; that Honolulu, on that so important matter, should be the one city in the world going backwards is very difficult to understand.

If Honolulu, the Paradise of the Pacific, has only one artistic attraction to offer to its people and its crowds of tourists it should be a first class one.

All who admired and enthusiastically applauded the Royal Hawaiian Band at the Greek amphitheatre, Oakland, and for weeks at the Portland world's fair, said that it was the greatest and highest kind of advertisement Honolulu ever had!

The so unpopular scheme of reducing the Royal Hawaiian Band to the size of a European village band, is beyond my comprehension.

The city may save a few dollars in doing so, but it is a poor and miserly compensation when compared with the great loss inflicted to its former prestige.

PAUL DE LONGPRE.
An enthusiastic admirer of Honolulu and its ideal climate.

CENTRAL UNION CHURCH.

9:50 a. m. Bible School. Lesson for the day "Believing and Doing." (Jas. 2:14-26.)

10 a. m. Men's League Bible Class. Continuing the reading course in the Gospels "The Inner Circle Call Jesus the Messiah." "Startling Statements Regarding His Approaching Death and Resurrection." (Mark 8:27-9:1.)

11 a. m. Morning Worship. Memorial Day Service. The G. A. R. and Spanish War Veterans will attend in a body. Sermon by Dr. John F. Cowan of Kohala. Appropriate music by the chorus choir.

6:30 p. m. Christian Endeavor. "Heroes of Home Missions" with special reference to work throughout the islands. Mrs. Elijah Mackenzie leads the

It is now generally understood that a dividend of one per cent will be paid by the Honolulu Brewery stock starting in about July 1. As was told in The Star some ten days ago, a large surplus has been accumulated by the brewery and it was thought at first that this would be divided through the medium of an extra dividend, but the impression now is that the regular dividend will be raised. The surplus mentioned, it is said, has been accumulated since the first of the year.

The coming of the Federal cavalry and marines to this city has caused a great increase in the consumption of beer locally, which has meant that the brewery has struck good times. In addition to this there have been no extra expenses during the past few months which have enabled a neat surplus to be placed to one side.

FRANCE DEMANDS PROBING OF A SHEEPMAN'S MURDER.

CHEYENNE (Wyo.), May 19.—The murder of Joe Emge and Joe Allemand, sheepmen, and Jules Lagier, a sheep herder, in Big Horn county and by a band of masked riders, will be investigated by both the French and United States Governments, according to a special dispatch from Basin, Wyo., tonight. The French Government has demanded an investigation of the death of Lagier, a French citizen, who had been in America but ten months.

Five of the suspected men, who are all prominent stockmen, are confined in the jail at Basin and two have been transferred to the jail at Sheridan. A heavy guard is being maintained to prevent any attempt to release the prisoners.

THE BOY'S VERSION.

First Boy—I hears you lost your job.

Second Boy—I dropped a bottle of ink in the boss' hat and when he said "Get out o' here, or I will kick you out," I got mad and resigned me job.

—Exchange.

meeting and visiting delegates will take part.

7:30 p. m. Evening Service. Sermon by Rev. Albert S. Baker M. W. of Kealahou. Anthem by the chorus choir.

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